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1. ON JUNE 12, WE DISCUSSED SUPPLEMENTARY AGREEMENT PROBLEM WITH FCO SEYCHELLES DESK OFFICER WALKER. AMBASSADOR MARSHALL DISCUSSED OVERALL QUESTIONS ON SEYCHELLES WITH FCO DEPARTMENT HEAD STUART ON JUNE 19.

2. ON SUPPLEMENTARY ARRANGEMENT QUESTION FCO ACCEPTS EXPLANATION GIVEN REF (A) BUT NOW WISHES HAVE BETTER IDEA EXACTLY WHAT SUPPLEMENTARY ARRANGEMENT WILL COVER. THEY REQUEST THAT USG FURNISH LIST OF AREAS TO BE COVERED WITH NOTATION AS TO HOW AND WHEN EACH WAS ACQUIRED BY U.S.

3. WE POINTED OUT THAT THIS WAS EXACTLY WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO AVOID, I.E., BRINGING THIS QUESTION TO GOVERNMENT LEVEL. WE ASKED WHAT TODD HAD REPORTED ON THIS PROBLEM. WALKER SAID TODD HAD REPORTED ALONG LINES REF (B) WITH RECOMMENDATION HE BE AUTHORIZED TO FORMALIZE ARRANGEMENT WITH DET 4 COMMANDER. WALKER SAID FCO NEEDS HAVE AT LEAST GENERAL IDEA OF SCOPE OF AGREEMENT BEFORE GIVING SUCH
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AUTHORIZATION.

4. WE WILL CONTINUE TO ARGUE THAT FCO SHOULD ACCEDE TO TODD REQUEST (EVEN THOUGH TODD HAS DEPARTED SEYCHELLES) AND AUTHORIZE NEW DEPUTY GOVERNOR TO PROCEED BUT WE ANTICIPATE NO ACTION UNTIL FCO IS SATISFIED ABOUT SCOPE. THEREFORE WE REQUEST GENERAL INFORMATION ON AREAS INVOLVED. MEANWHILE WE EXPECT JOHN TODD TO RETURN TO LONDON SOON AND WILL TRY TO GET HIM TO EXPLAIN SITUATION TO FCO.

5. WALKER ASSURES US THAT HMG HAS NO SUBSTANTIVE PROBLEM WITH SUPPLEMENTARY ARRANGEMENT. HE PROMISES RAPID ACTION AS SOON AS SCOPE QUESTION ANSWERED.

6. WALKER ALSO ASKED FOR AN ENUMERATION OF ANY PREVIOUS SUPPLEMENTARY ARRANGEMENTS CONCLUDED BETWEEN LOCAL AUTHORITIES. PLEASE ADVISE HOW WE SHOULD ANSWER.

7. IN MARSHALL/STUART CONVERSATION QUESTION OF U.S. INPUT TO SEYCHELLES ECONOMY CAME UP. STUART SAID HE HAD BEEN TOLD THAT TRACKING STATION CONTRIBUTES \$1.2 MILLION ANNUALLY TO ECONOMY. HE ASKED FOR BREAKDOWN OF THIS ESTIMATE. EMBASSY ALSO REQUESTS GUIDANCE ON THIS POINT.

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